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RESPONSE

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated September 5, 2003, please find hereinafter some remarks.

REMARKS

The present patent application contains 17 pending claims. Claims 1, 2, 8 and 9 are independent claims.

Claims 1-5, and 8-12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102 as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,026,298 (hereinafter called Lamb). Applicant respectfully traverses.

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